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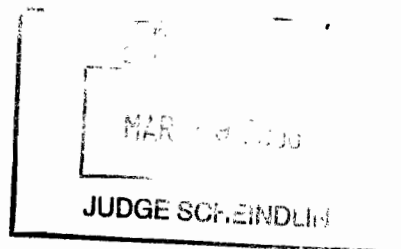
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March 19, 2008

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The Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin
United States District Judge
Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse
500 Pearl Street, Room 1620
New York, New York 10007



Re: United States v. Miguel Hinojoza-Quinones
→ 08 Cr242 (SAS), 07 Mag. 2175

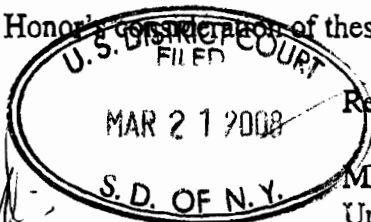
Dear Judge Scheindlin

MEMO ENDORSED

The above-captioned Indictment, a copy of which is enclosed, was assigned to Your Honor earlier today. I write respectfully to confirm that Your Honor has scheduled the defendant's arraignment and an initial pretrial conference for Tuesday, March 25, 2008, at 3:30 p.m.

I further respectfully request that Your Honor exclude time, pursuant to the Speedy Trial Act, Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8)(A), from today until March 25, 2008. The purpose of the requested exclusion is to allow the Government to begin preparing discovery in this case. Defense counsel, Robert A. Krakow, Esq., consents to this request.

I appreciate Your Honor's consideration of these matters.



Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure

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*Request granted
So ordered.
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